



# **Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority**

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## **General Manager's Remarks**

### **Fiscal and Management Control Board**

**October 1, 2018**



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## Agenda

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- “45<sup>th</sup> bus:” first extended-range hybrid
- Town hall kickoff meeting at Orient Heights
- 2018 Rodeo
- Capital investments



## “45<sup>th</sup> bus:” first extended-range hybrid arrives

- New extended-range vehicle arrived for testing
- Planning for the future: could save on transitway OCS maintenance, reduce greenhouse gases, improve reliability
- Technology/industry continues to evolve
- Bus will operate on a test basis; look forward to learning more
- 45<sup>th</sup> bus is part of New Flyer contract for 44 60-foot diesel-electric buses; option for 45<sup>th</sup> extended-range bus





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## Town hall meeting series kickoff: Orient Heights

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- First in a year-long series to engage in a two-way conversation between employees and MBTA leadership
- Attendees represented wide range of departments/disciplines from the Blue Line
- Looking forward to finalizing the list of future meetings, and enhancing employee engagement and improving customer service





## 2018 Bus 'Rodeo' - Charlestown

- Annual “Rodeo” event for Machinists and Bus Operators
- Devotion to jobs, trades, and mission on full display
- Congratulations to all involved – especially Willis Rose, five time Bus Operator champion





## Capital investments

- Momentum of capital investments continues
- CIP tied to programs and targets; strong documentation and review requirements for change orders
- Major programs continue to advance: R/O Line signals last of the major contracts for R/O Infrastructure Program
- Significant milestone for our ability to make investments and will result in major customer-facing improvements

